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TAGS: PFOR, APRM, CSCE, NATO

SUBJECT: NUDGING SOVIETS ON CBMS

REF: MOSCOW 13586, 13507

1. EXTENSIVE SOVIET CRITICISM OF NATO MANEUVERS AND REPORTS OF MOSCOW'S NEGATIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD INVITATION TO SEND OBSERVERS MAY REFLECT IN LARGE PART USSR'S SENSITIVITY TO ITS OWN OBLIGATIONS UNDER CSCE CBMS PROVISIONS. THUS SOVIETS MAY INTEND TO USE REFUSAL TO SEND OBSERVERS TO "AGGRESSIVE" NATO MANEUVERS AS PRETEXT AVOID OBLIGATION ARISING FROM RECIPROCITY TO EXTEND NATO INVITATION TO SEND OBSERVERS TO SOVIET AND WARSAW PACT MANEUVERS. ON THE OTHER  
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HAND, THEIR PROPAGANDA EFFORT COULD CONCEIVABLY BE DIRECTED

AT PREPARING GROUND FOR LARGE-SCALE WP MANEUVERS WHICH COULD BE REPRESENTED AS RESPONSE TO NATO MANEUVERS.

2. IN ANY CASE, GENTLE NUDGE ABOUT CBMS MAY SHED MORE LIGHT ON SOVIET INTENTIONS. IF EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION, DEPARTMENT WOULD SUGGEST LOW KEY NON-POLEMICAL APPROACH BY ARMA WHEN HE MAKES CALL ON KULIKOV. WITHOUT MAKING CARDINAL POINT OF QUESTION, HE SHOULD EXPRESS HOPE

THAT CURRENT SOVIET PRESS TREATMENT OF NATO MANEUVERS DOES NOT PORTEND NEGATIVE ATTITUDE ON CBM ON NOTIFICATION AND SENDING OF OBSERVERS. A POSITIVE ATTITUDE ON CBMS COULD PROVIDE NEEDED BOOST FOR CSCE IN EYES OF ALL WHO HAVE ATTACHED IMPORTANCE TO THE ENHANCEMENT OF CONFIDENCE BETWEEN TWO SIDES.

3. DOD CONCURS IN THIS APPROACH. KISSINGER

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